

TRAPPER FINDS BODY OF MAN LONG DEAD

Nakusp, B.C., Nov. 5.—A mystery has come to light in the finding of an unknown man in a lonely cabin in the mountains about sixty miles from the town of Edgewood, on the Arrow Lakes and about 100 miles from the city of Grand Forks, in the Boundary district. A trapper named Frank John-

son, well known in the district, was on his rounds in the mountain ranges, when in the distance he espied a cabin, for which he made to spend the night. Reaching the spot, he was horrified to find the dead body of a man lying on the cabin floor, partially dressed, with boots and socks on. The features, in a fair state of preservation, were drawn, hardened, and virtually mummified. Rats had covered the body with leaves and brush, and apparently it had been there for a period of from one to three years.

Johnson hurried to Edgewood, the nearest point, sixty miles away, and notified J. M. Smith, the provincial constable at Nakusp by phone, who left for his long trip accompanied by Walter Johnson of Edgewood, an experienced hunter. Various conjectures are offered as to the possible identity of the man. There is a possibility that he may be an escaped Austrian prisoner from the Edgewood internment camp last year, in an effort to get away to the States. It may be, too, that he is one of two brothers who went hunting from Deer Park three years ago, one of whom never returned.